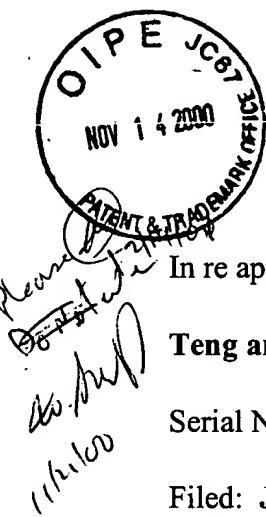


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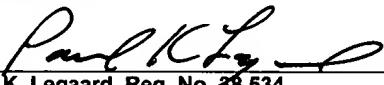
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**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

This Amendment is filed in response to the Final Rejection mailed September 20, 2000 in connection with the above-identified patent application. Applicants respectfully request that the application be amended as follows.